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Applicant's arguments relating to the election species requirement mailed 3 April 2008 are convincing and this requirement has been collapsed.

However, the reply filed on 9 January 2008 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omissions or matters: with applicant's amendments to claim 53, the same renders the subject matter of claim 53 and thus claim 57 should be cancelled. Upon applicant canceling this claim, the examiner will proceed with further acting on the merits of all of the claimed subject matter. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona filed, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to John S. Maples whose telephone number is 571-272-1287. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 8:00 to 4:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Patrick Ryan, can be reached on 571-272-1292. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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